

# CITY OF SANTA BARBARA ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

July 31, 2017 12:00 – 5:00 PM City Hall, Human Resources Annex 735 Anacapa Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101 www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov

**Arts Advisory Committee Present:** Robert Adams, Chair, Elizabeth Owen, William Smithers, Marylove Thralls, Margie Yahyavi

Arts Advisory Committee Absent: Nina Dunbar, Nathan Vonk

**Staff Present:** Santa Barbara County Office of Arts and Culture: Sarah York Rubin, E.D; Hannah Rubalcava, Grants and Contracts Manager; John Ogilvie, Program Coordinator. City of Santa Barbara: Nina Johnson, Sr. Assistant.to the City Administrator

Staff Absent: None

Liaisons Present: None

**Liaisons Absent:** Frank Hotchkiss, City Council; Jace Turner, Public Library; Michael Drury, HLC; Courtney Miller, ABR

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 3:30 PM

### **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:**

A recommendation to rearrange the order of discussion of the Administrative Agenda items was approved. **M/S/C Smithers/Yahyavi** 

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

# **SUBJECT: Approval of the Minutes**

It was moved that consideration of the minutes be tabled until the next regular meeting of the Committee. The motion was approved. M/S/C Thralls/Smithers/Approved.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

## 1. SUBJECT: State Street Sculpture Process (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

Sarah Rubin reported that Santa Barbara Beautiful has agreed to help fund sculptures to be placed on the eight State Street pads. The Office of Arts and Culture is developing a artist-call/RFP procedures for the solicitation of existing sculpture pieces. The Office is coordinating its planning with the Downtown Organization. There will be available an honorarium available to chosen artists for each of their sculpture pieces selected. The Committee suggested that efforts be made to capture public reactions to the artworks.

## 2. SUBJECT: Take Part / Make Art Potential Collaboration (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

Sarah Rubin led a discussion of the Runaway sculpture exhibition commissioned by the Museum of Contemporary Art with funding from the Irvine Foundation. The sculpture, entitled Runaway, has been displayed on Stearn's Wharf and elsewhere in Santa Barbara, and the MCA has offered to display it in collaboration with the City on the Stork Placita located between De La Guerra Plaza and State Street. Committee encouraged staff to create programming onsite.

# 3. SUBJECT: Grant Awards Recommendations (ACTION REQUIRED)

Hannah Rubalcava led a discussion of the awards recommendations of each of the individual grants panels: Organizational Development Grants and Community Arts. It was noted that each of the grant applicants will receive correspondence notifying them of their award and providing feedback summarizing the panelists' views on their applications. Following review and discussion, the recommendations of the grant panels were unanimously approved without modification.

M/S/C Owen/Smithers/Approved.

# 3. SUBJECT: Business In Art Award (ACTION REQUIRED)

Sarah Rubin and Robert Adams led a discussion of the five nominees for the 2017 Business In Art Award sponsored by Santa Barbara Beautiful. The Committee designated Montecito Bank and Trust as the winner of the 2017 Business In Art Award. **M/S/C Owen/Yahyavi Approved**, **Smithers abstaining**.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

### Executive Director - S. York Rubin

Sarah Rubin expressed her gratitude for the time and efforts of the Arts Advisory Committee in participating in the grants panels. She also announced that the City Council will include ratification of the grants awards on its meeting agenda on August 15. Sarah also reviewed plans for the 2017 Santa Barbara City Arts Symposium on November 2, and it was agreed that Robert Adams and Margie Yahyavi would serve in the capacity of a symposium planning subcommittee representing the full Committee.

### **Grants and Programs Manager – H. Rubalcava**

Hannah Rubalcava had no additional matters to report.

### **Curator – Julia Rutherford Daly**

Julia Rutherford Daly had no additional matters to report.

# Program Coordinator - J. Ogilvie

John Ogilvie had no additional matters to report.

### **NEW ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S MEETING:**

None were suggested.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm. M/S/C Smithers/Yahyavi

The next meeting is Thursday, September 21, from 3:30-5:00pm in the David Gebhard Public Meeting Room.

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